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Chairman Genachowski  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC, 20554

In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors,  
CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

On behalf of the Vermont Superintendents' Association, I am writing to urge favorable consideration of the nomination of Dr. Daniel A. Domenech to the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) Board of Directors as the representative for schools that are eligible to receive discounts. The vacancy was created by the retirement of Anne Bryant, Executive Director for the National School Boards Association (NSBA), pursuant to § 54.501.

Dr. Domenech has the experience and disposition to be a tremendous asset to the Board and the entire universal service program. Dr. Domenech has more than 40 years of experience in public education, including 27 years served as a school superintendent. He currently is the Executive Director of the American Association of School Administrators (AASA), the national professional organization for chief executive officers, superintendents and senior school administrators.

Dr. Domenech supports the development of the whole child. He understands that in order to be fully successful, students must develop lifelong learning skills including responsible, productive uses of technology. Dr. Domenech is acutely aware of the crucial role the E-Rate program plays in helping schools and libraries afford telecommunications connectivity.

Dr. Domenech is an ardent education advocate. He has served on the U.S. Department of Education's National Assessment Governing Board, on the advisory board for the Department of Defense schools, and on the Board of Overseers for the Baldrige Award. He is the chair for Communities in Schools of Virginia, the Learning First Alliance and the Board of Visitors for the College of Education at the University of West Georgia. He serves on the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, the National Student Clearinghouse, Americas Promise, the Center for Naval Analyses, and the Sea Research Foundation.

I am pleased to support Dr. Domenech's nomination to the USAC Board of Directors, representing schools that are eligible to receive discounts. His background and experience make him an excellent nomination.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director  
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